

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

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Reply to: OCE-133

## CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Rich Appel Owner Appel Brothers Dairy, LLC. 6605 Northwest Road Ferndale, Washington 98248

Re:

September 3, 2014, NPDES Compliance Inspection

NPDES Identifier Number WAU000631 and WAU000632

Dear Mr. Appel:

On September 3, 2014, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) inspected your Dairy Facility and Heifer Facility to evaluate its compliance with the Clean Water Act (CWA). I would like to express my appreciation for your staff's time and cooperation during the inspection. The inspector did not indicate any violations of the CWA at the time of inspections.

Please follow up with the Washington State Department of Agriculture, the Washington State Department of Ecology, and the Whatcom Conservation District to ensure your facility is in compliance with the state and local regulations. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Steven Potokar, CAFO Enforcement Coordinator, at (206) 553-6354.

Sincerely,

Jeff KenKnight, Manager NPDES Compliance Unit

cc:

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